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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to initial examination on the merits, please amend the above-application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 2-5 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 1, 6-8, 12-13 and 15-16 as follows:

1. (Amended) A dietary supplement for providing nutritional product saccharides in monomeric, oligomeric or polymeric and derivatized or underivatized form, which saccharides